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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations recommends the following pass: SM 484

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Higher Education Appropriations recommends the following pass: CS for SB 84; CS for SB 414; CS for SB 654

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Budget under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SM 852

The bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 236

The bill was referred to the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends the following pass: SB 882

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 330

The bills contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 430

The bill was referred to the Committee on Higher Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 652

The bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends the following pass: SB 524

The bill was referred to the Committee on Transportation under the original reference.

The Committee on Budget recommends the following pass: CS for SM 214; SM 216; SM 218; SM 220; SB 298; SB 1012; SB 1014; SB 1016; SB 1018; SB 1020; SB 1022; SB 1024; SB 1026; SB 1028; SB 1030; SB 1032; SB 1034; SB 1036; SB 1038; SB 1040; SB 1042; SB 1044

The bills were placed on the Calendar.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 392

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance under the original reference.

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax recommends committee substitutes for the following: SB 382; SB 478

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 408

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1130

The Committee on Judiciary recommends committee substitutes for the following: CS for SB 728; SB 822

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Budget under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 960

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism under the original reference.

The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 968

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Community Affairs under the original reference.

The Committee on Judiciary recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 594

The Committee on Transportation recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1150

The bills with committee substitute attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Govern-

mental Oversight and Accountability under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 450

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 368

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Transportation under the original reference.

The Committee on Budget recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for CS for SB 248

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1970

The bills with committee substitute attached were placed on the Calendar.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By Senator Hays—

SB 1770—A bill to be entitled An act relating to parental notice of abortion; amending s. 390.01114, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “constructive notice”; revising notice requirements relating to the termination of a pregnancy of a minor; providing exceptions to the notice requirements; revising procedure for judicial waiver of notice; providing for the minor to petition for a hearing within a specified time; providing that in a hearing relating to waiving the requirement for parental notice, the court consider certain additional factors, including whether the minor’s decision to terminate her pregnancy was due to undue influence; providing a procedure for appeal if judicial waiver of notice is not granted; requiring that the court order contain factual findings and legal conclusions; requiring Supreme Court reports to the Governor and Legislature to include additional information; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Judiciary; and Budget.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to self-service storage facilities; amending s. 83.803, F.S.; redefining the term “last known address,” to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 83.806, F.S.; revising notice requirements related to enforcing an owner’s lien; allowing postal notice by first-class mail, along with a certificate of mailing; allowing electronic mail notice; deleting provisions relating to advertisement requirements; amending s. 83.808, F.S.; clarifying provisions relating to the right to create contractual liens or limitations on liability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; and Judiciary.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

SB 1774—A bill to be entitled An act relating to transportation corridors; repealing s. 341.0532, F.S., relating to statewide transportation corridors; removing the definition of “statewide transportation corridors”; removing provisions that specify certain transportation facilities as statewide transportation corridors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

SB 1776—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licensure of health care facilities; repealing s. 395.0163, F.S., relating to inspections, submission and approval of plans, and fees charged by the Agency for Health Care Administration for construction projects by a public or private health care facility licensed or subject to licensure by the state; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

SB 1778—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clove cigarettes; repealing s. 859.058, F.S., relating to prohibitions against sale, use, possession, transfer, or other disposing of clove cigarettes or similar products; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health Regulation.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

SB 1780—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dangerous dogs; amending s. 767.11, F.S.; deleting provisions that includes any dog used primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting or a dog trained for dog fighting within the definition of “dangerous dog” for purposes of provisions regulating dangerous dogs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Agriculture; and Judiciary.

By Senators Latvala and Gaetz—

SB 1782—A bill to be entitled An act relating to domestic violence; amending s. 775.261, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “career offender” for purposes of the Florida Career Offender Registration Act to include severe domestic violence offenders; defining the term “severe domestic violence offender”; subjecting such offenders to the registration provisions of the act; providing penalties for violations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Storms—

SB 1784—A bill to be entitled An act relating to forensic mental health; amending s. 394.457, F.S.; providing additional responsibilities for certain contractors of the Department of Children and Family Services; requiring that the department make certain training available to correctional personnel; amending s. 394.4655, F.S.; providing for involuntary outpatient treatment plans that require patients to take all prescribed medications in certain circumstances; amending s. 394.78, F.S.; providing for set-asides for service providers that have supportive employment programs; amending s. 948.001, F.S.; defining the term “department” for purposes of ch. 948, F.S.; creating s. 948.0395, F.S.; providing for the creation of a forensic mental health probation and parole program; providing program requirements; providing for designation of certain correctional probation officers as forensic probation officers; requiring establishment of requirements for such officers; providing duties for such officers; authorizing the Department of Corrections to establish an advisory workgroup to assist with the program; requiring that the department adopt rules; authorizing the chief judge of each circuit to establish a mental health court; providing requirements for such courts; authorizing specified activities by such courts; requiring each court to have a coordinator for certain aspects of the court’s operations; requiring that such courts be funded from existing revenues or from a specified grant program; requiring that the Department of Children and Family Services adopt rules relating to supportive housing; requiring that the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability perform a study of the forensic mental health system;

requiring that the study examine the causes impacting the incarceration of the mentally ill in state and local correctional facilities; requiring that a report of such study be submitted to the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Criminal Justice; Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Latvala—

SB 1786—A bill to be entitled An act relating to basic life support or advanced life support service; amending s. 401.23, F.S.; defining the term “advanced life support nontransport service” and redefining the term “advanced life support service” to exclude nontransport services; amending s. 401.25, F.S.; clarifying the licensure requirements for entities that provide advanced life support nontransport services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Bogdanoff—

SB 1788—A bill to be entitled An act relating to bicycle regulations; amending s. 316.2065, F.S.; removing a requirement to keep one hand on the handlebars while operating a bicycle; amending s. 322.27, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Community Affairs; and Health Regulation.

By Senator Storms—

SB 1790—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving under the influence; prohibiting a state or local law enforcement agency from operating a “no refusal” DUI checkpoint; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1792—A bill to be entitled An act relating to growth policy; repealing s. 163.2523, F.S., relating to the Urban Infill and Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program, to terminate the program; amending ss. 163.065, 163.2511, and 163.2514, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Oelrich—

SB 1794—A bill to be entitled An act relating to airboats; amending s. 327.391, F.S.; requiring the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to establish a voluntary sound testing program for airboats; allowing airboats that test below a specified sound level to be operated on all navigable waters of the state, including waterways on which airboats are prohibited by local ordinance; requiring a fee; providing testing requirements; amending s. 327.60, F.S.; requiring a super majority vote to enact certain ordinances regulating airboats; amending s. 327.65, F.S., relating to muffling devices on vessels; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Community Affairs; and Transportation.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1796—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the assessment of real property for ad valorem taxation; amending s. 193.011, F.S.; requiring a property appraiser to consider sales completed during a specified period after the assessment date in determining just valuation of real property under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Smith—

SB 1798—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mandatory minimum sentences; amending ss. 316.027, 316.193, 379.407, 500.451, 624.401, 775.087, 817.568, 876.39, 893.13, and 893.135, F.S.; relating to crashes involving death or personal injuries, driving under the influence, unlicensed purchase, sale, or harvest of seafood, violations involving horsemeat, acting as an insurer without a certificate of authority, possession of a weapon during the commission of certain offenses, criminal use of personal identification information, intentionally defective workmanship, and controlled substance violations, respectively, deleting mandatory minimum sentences; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Budget.

By Senator Ring—

SB 1800—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 628.461, F.S.; providing an exemption from public-records requirements for notice of a proposed divestiture in a domestic insurer provided to the Commissioner of Insurance pursuant to the acquisition of a domestic stock insurer; specifying duration of the exemption; providing an exemption from public-records requirements for the identity of a lender pursuant to a merger or other acquisition of control of a domestic stock insurer where a source of consideration is a loan made in the lender's ordinary course of business, upon request of the lender; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemptions; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a conditional effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Governmental Oversight and Accountability.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1802—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem taxation; amending s. 193.114, F.S.; limiting the review of changes in the assessed value of real property resulting from an informal conference with the taxpayer to a review by the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to growth management; amending s. 163.3180, F.S.; requiring that charter schools be a permitted mitigation option for purposes of meeting concurrency requirements; amending s. 163.3187, F.S.; providing that an amendment to a comprehensive plan that affects acreage of 10 acres or less is a small scale development amendment, notwithstanding any restrictive covenant; amending s. 201.15, F.S.; removing the funding cap for the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund; prohibiting residual funds deposited in the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund from being transferred to the General Revenue Fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Community Affairs; Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance; amending s. 324.021, F.S.; revising provisions relating to proof of financial responsibility for rented or leased motor vehicles; providing lessors and lessees of rented and leased motor vehicles with certain responsibilities relating to the provision and obtaining of liability insurance; revising who is deemed the owner of a motor vehicle for purposes of determining financial responsibility; revising applicability of

certain provisions relating to financial responsibility of an owner of commercial motor vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Transportation; and Budget.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault or battery of law enforcement officers or firefighters; amending s. 784.07, F.S.; increasing the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for battery of a law enforcement officer or firefighter while possessing a firearm or destructive device; increasing the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for such a battery while possessing a semiautomatic firearm and its high-capacity detachable box magazine or a machine gun; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Budget.

By Senator Benacquisto—

SB 1810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to energy; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; providing additional definitions for purposes of the exemption for sales or use of equipment, machinery, and other materials for renewable energy technologies; including under the exemption materials used in distributing renewable diesel fuel and renewable fuel oil; delaying expiration of the exemption; amending s. 220.192, F.S.; providing additional definitions for purposes of the tax credit for investment in renewable energy technologies; amending s. 220.193, F.S.; extending the dates for which certain renewable energy production tax credits are available; deleting an expired provision; amending s. 570.074, F.S.; renaming the Office of Water Coordination as the “Office of Energy and Water”; adding certain energy policy to the jurisdiction of the office; repealing s. 570.954, F.S., relating to a requirement that the Department Agriculture and Consumer Services coordinate with and solicit expertise of the state energy office within the Department of Environmental Protection when developing and implementing the farm-to-fuel initiative; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to temporary certificates for physicians practicing in areas of critical need; amending ss. 458.315 and 459.0076, F.S.; naming the temporary certificates issued to physicians who practice in areas of critical need after Rear Admiral LeRoy Collins, Jr.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Budget.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school athletics; providing legislative findings concerning concussions and head injuries; creating s. 1006.163, F.S.; requiring school boards to work with the Florida High School Athletic Association to develop guidelines and other pertinent information and forms to inform and educate coaches, youth athletes, and athletes’ parents or guardians of the nature and risk of concussions and head injuries; requiring that a youth athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury in a practice or game be removed from competition; allowing an athlete removed from competition to return after evaluation and clearance by a medical professional meeting specified requirements; providing that a volunteer medical professional who authorizes a youth athlete to return to competition is not liable for civil damages resulting from any act or omission; providing an exception; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; Health Regulation; and Budget.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1816—A bill to be entitled An act relating to surplus lines insurance; amending s. 626.931, F.S.; requiring a surplus lines agent to file quarterly on or before a specified time an affidavit stating that all surplus lines insurance transacted during the preceding quarter has been submitted to the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office; amending s. 626.932, F.S.; requiring the premium tax due on a surplus lines policy to be computed on the gross premium under certain circumstances; amending s. 626.9325, F.S.; revising payment dates for the service fee; requiring the service fee on a surplus lines policy to be computed on the gross premium under certain circumstances; creating s. 626.9362, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Financial Services and the Office of Insurance Regulation to enter into a specified type of agreement with other states pursuant to federal law for the collection and allocation of certain nonadmitted insurance taxes; providing terms that may be included in the agreement; requiring the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office to implement an agreement entered into by the department and the Office of Insurance Regulation; providing for application; amending s. 626.938, F.S.; requiring certain insureds or insurers engaging in specified insurance transactions with a foreign or alien insurer to compute the premium tax and service fees based on the gross premium under certain circumstances; requiring such insureds or insurers to pay the applicable premium tax to the department and the service fee to the Florida Surplus Lines Service Office on or before a specified time; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1818—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Development Finance Corporation Act of 1993; amending s. 288.9602, F.S.; revising the findings and declarations of necessity of the act to emphasize the importance of the economic activities in counties and municipalities to the economy of this state; providing that the purposes of the act may be accomplished by legislation fully implementing a constitutional provision to allow local governments to issue revenue bonds to finance or refinance the cost of certain capital projects; providing that the purposes of the act may be accomplished by legislation authorizing new and innovative means for the investment of public trust funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; amending ss. 290.0055, 290.0058, and 290.0065, F.S.; revising criteria for the designation of enterprise zones; deleting pervasive poverty from such criteria; revising the maximum number of enterprise zones authorized; amending s. 290.0057, F.S.; revising requirements for the contents of enterprise zone strategic plans; creating s. 290.0076, F.S.; authorizing Lake County to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of an enterprise zone; providing requirements; requiring the office to establish an effective date for the designated enterprise zone; reenacting s. 290.016, F.S., relating to the scheduled repeal of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act; amending s. 163.2514, F.S.; revising definition of the term “urban infill and redevelopment area” for purposes of the Growth Policy Act to conform; amending s. 288.0659, F.S.; revising the evaluation criteria for award of grants under the Local Government Distressed Area Matching Grant Program to conform; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising the maximum tax refunds for building materials and business property used in an enterprise zone; deleting provisions for tax refunds based upon a certain percentage of employees residing in an enterprise zone; revising definition of the term “business property” to revise an exemption from the tax refunds for such property used in an enterprise zone; amending ss. 212.096, 220.03, 220.181, and 220.182, F.S.; revising and defining terms; revising the enterprise zone jobs credits against the sales and use tax and corporate income tax, and the enterprise zone property tax credit, to include credit for part-time employment; deleting provisions for tax credits based upon employment of persons residing in enterprise zones; deleting obsolete provisions and conforming provisions; amending ss.

193.077, 193.085, 212.06, 220.02, 220.183, 220.193, 288.1045, 288.106, 290.00677, and 624.5105, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing for application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Benacquisto—

SB 1822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school choice; amending s. 1002.38, F.S.; revising legislative intent and eligibility requirements for participation in the Opportunity Scholarship Program; deleting provisions that authorize an opportunity scholarship for attendance at a private school; requiring that an opportunity scholarship remain in force until the student graduates from high school; revising school district obligations and deleting provisions relating to private schools to conform to changes made by the act; amending ss. 1001.42 and 1002.20, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; deleting an obsolete provision relating to the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to regulated professions and occupations; amending s. 322.142, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to release certain digital images to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to identify certain persons; amending s. 455.213, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to grant waivers of renewal fees under certain circumstances; amending s. 455.271, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for license reactivations; amending s. 475.42, F.S.; revising violations and penalties for real estate professionals; amending s. 475.626, F.S.; revising violations and penalties for appraisers; amending s. 477.0212, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for cosmetology license reactivations; amending s. 477.0265, F.S.; revising prohibited acts for cosmetologists; amending s. 481.217, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for license reactivation of architect or interior design licenses; amending s. 481.315, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for landscape architect license reactivations; amending s. 489.116, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for contractor license reactivations; amending s. 489.519, F.S.; revising continuing education requirements for electrical and alarm system contractor license reactivations; amending s. 10, chapter 2010-84, Laws of Florida, extending the effective date of provisions relating to the discipline of appraisal management companies; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Transportation; and Budget.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation; repealing s. 627.092, F.S., relating to the Workers' Compensation Administrator, to abolish the position; amending s. 627.312, F.S.; deleting an obsolete transitional requirement for certain policies of the Florida Workers' Compensation Joint Underwriting Association; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senator Richter—

SB 1828—A bill to be entitled An act relating to credit counseling services; amending s. 817.801, F.S.; defining the terms "debt management plan" and "debt settlement plan"; amending s. 817.802, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; creating s. 817.8035, F.S.; requiring that debt management and credit counseling services be provided pursuant to a debt management or debt settlement plan; requiring the credit counseling agency to make certain disclosures to the debtor before the debtor

consents to payment; prohibiting the agency from making certain misrepresentations to the debtor; providing certain conditions that the agency must meet before receiving payment; providing that the debtor may withdraw any account funds placed with the agency at any time without penalty; amending s. 817.805, F.S.; authorizing the agency to hold funds in order to allow the funds to accumulate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce and Tourism; and Budget.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the high school career diploma; creating s. 1003.4287, F.S.; providing requirements for the high school career diploma; requiring a student and the student's parent to agree in writing to the requirements of the career diploma track; specifying the 24 credits that must be successfully completed to receive a career diploma; requiring an intensive reading course or remediation in mathematics for a student who does not meet certain academic standards; providing strategies to enable an exceptional student to meet graduation requirements for a career diploma; requiring district school board standards for graduation and policies to assist students in meeting the requirements; requiring rules for test accommodations and modifications of procedures for students with disabilities; providing for the award of a certificate of completion to a student who is unable to meet certain standards; providing conditions for the waiver of assessment requirements for a career diploma for a student with a disability; authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt rules; amending ss. 1002.45, 1003.413, 1003.428, 1003.438, 1003.493, and 1008.22, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Voluntary Pre-kindergarten Program; amending s. 1002.69, F.S.; authorizing nonpublic schools to administer the statewide kindergarten screening to kindergarten students who were enrolled in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Program; requiring the Department of Education to include the percentage of students who meet all state readiness measures in its provider rating methodology; removing a limitation on the minimum kindergarten readiness rate for private and public prekindergarten providers; amending s. 1002.73, F.S.; requiring the department to adopt procedures for annually reporting the percentage of students who meet all state readiness measures; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1834—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expunction of criminal history records; amending s. 943.0585, F.S.; allowing a candidate for admission to The Florida Bar to lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge arrests covered by an expunged record; conforming cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to captive insurance; amending s. 628.901, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 628.905, F.S.; expanding the kinds of insurance for which a captive insurer may seek licensure; limiting the risks that certain captive insurers may insure; specifying requirements and conditions relating to a captive insurer's authority to conduct business; requiring that before licensure certain captive insurers must file or submit to the Commissioner of Insurance Regulation specified information, documents, and statements;

requiring a captive insurance company to file specific evidence with the commissioner relating to the financial condition and quality of management and operations of the company; requiring an applicant-sponsored captive insurer to file with the commissioner a business plan, certain statements, sample contracts, and certain evidence relating to expenses; requiring a captive insurance company to pay certain fees and costs relating to an application for licensure and renewal; authorizing initial licensure until a date certain and requiring annual renewal thereafter on such date; authorizing a foreign or alien captive insurance company to become a domestic captive insurance company by complying with specified requirements; authorizing the commissioner to waive any requirements for public hearings relating to the redomestication of an alien captive insurance company; amending s. 628.907, F.S.; revising capitalization and security requirements for specified captive insurance companies; requiring capital of specified captive insurance companies to be held in certain forms; requiring contributions to captive insurance companies that are nonprofit corporations to be in a certain form; authorizing the commission to issue a captive insurance company license conditioned upon certain evidence relating to possession of specified capital; authorizing revocation of a conditional license under certain circumstances; authorizing the commissioner to prescribe certain additional capital and net asset requirements; requiring such additional requirements relating to capital and net assets to be held in specified forms; requiring certain security of a branch captive insurance company to be trust funded by specified types of assets made payable to certain policyholders and insurers; providing limitations on the payment of dividends by a captive insurance company; prohibiting distributions by a captive insurance company that is a nonprofit corporation without commissioner approval; requiring certain irrevocable letters of credit to meet certain standards; creating s. 628.908, F.S.; prohibiting the issuance of a license to specified captive insurance companies unless such companies possess and maintain certain levels of unimpaired surplus; requiring unimpaired surplus to be in specified forms; authorizing a sponsored captive insurance company that does not assume risk to maintain unimpaired surplus in certain securities approved by the commissioner; requiring a captive insurance company that is organized as a reciprocal insurer to maintain a specified amount of unimpaired surplus; authorizing the commissioner to condition issuance of a captive insurance company license upon the provision of certain evidence relating to the possession of a minimum amount of unimpaired surplus; authorizing revocation of a conditional license under certain circumstances; authorizing the commissioner to require additional surplus in specified forms; requiring dividends or distributions of capital or surplus to meet certain conditions and be approved by the commissioner; requiring certain letters of credit to meet certain standards; amending s. 628.909, F.S.; providing for applicability of certain statutory provisions to specified captive insurers; creating s. 628.910, F.S.; providing requirements, options, and conditions relating to how a pure captive insurance company or a sponsored captive insurance company may be incorporated or organized as a business; amending s. 628.911, F.S.; providing reporting requirements for specified captive insurance companies and captive reinsurance companies; creating s. 628.912, F.S.; authorizing a sponsored captive insurance company and a captive reinsurance company to discount specified losses subject to certain conditions; amending s. 628.913, F.S.; authorizing a captive reinsurance company to apply to the commission for licensure to write reinsurance covering property and casualty insurance or reinsurance contracts; authorizing the commissioner to allow a captive reinsurance company to write reinsurance contracts covering risks in any state; specifying that a captive reinsurance company is subject to specified requirements and must meet specified conditions to conduct business in this state; creating s. 628.914, F.S.; specifying requirements and conditions relating to the capitalization or maintenance of reserves by a captive reinsurance company; creating s. 628.9141, F.S.; specifying requirements and conditions relating to the incorporation of a captive reinsurance company; creating s. 628.9142, F.S.; providing for the effect on reserves of certain actions taken by a captive insurance company relating to providing reinsurance for specified risks; creating s. 628.9143, F.S.; requiring a captive reinsurance company to annually pay a specified tax amount; prohibiting any other taxation of a captive reinsurance company other than an occupation tax and certain ad valorem taxes; subjecting a captive reinsurance company to sanctions for failures relating to the payment of taxes; creating s. 628.918, F.S.; requiring a specified percentage of a captive reinsurance company's assets to be managed by an asset manager domiciled in this state; creating s. 628.919, F.S.; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules establishing certain standards for control of an unaffiliated business by a parent or affiliated

company relating to coverage by a pure captive insurance company; creating s. 628.920, F.S.; providing for the conversion of certain stock, mutual corporations, or limited liability companies into reciprocal insurers; requiring a specified plan for such conversions or mergers; specifying requirements and conditions for the approval of a conversion or merger plan by the commissioner; creating s. 628.921, F.S.; providing requirements and conditions relating to the formation of a sponsored captive insurance company and the establishment of protected cells; creating s. 628.922, F.S.; providing requirements and conditions applicable to a sponsor of a sponsored captive insurance company; creating s. 628.923, F.S.; authorizing specified entities to be participants in sponsored captive insurance companies under certain circumstances; creating s. 628.924, F.S.; requiring that a licensed captive insurance company must be considered for issuance of a certificate of authority as an insurer under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Budget.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1838—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assisted living facilities; creating the Florida Assisted Living Quality Improvement Initiative Pilot Project; providing purpose; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to create pilot projects in area offices; authorizing licensed assisted living facilities to enroll in the pilot project; authorizing the agency to provide, or execute contracts with private providers to provide, consultative services; requiring a facility to provide notice to the agency of enrollment in the project; establishing quality improvement teams; providing composition and duties of a quality improvement team; providing conditions for termination of a quality improvement agreement with a facility; providing for termination of a quality enrollment team by the agency and resumption of inspections by the agency under certain circumstances; providing procedures for investigating and monitoring complaints; requiring the agency to develop an assessment tool to evaluate the project; requiring the agency to report to the Governor and Legislature; providing that reports and documents of the quality improvement team may not be used in certain tort actions and are exempt from discovery; providing for the expiration of the project; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; and Budget.

By Senator Altman—

SB 1840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; providing a short title; creating s. 316.3035, F.S.; prohibiting a person younger than 18 years of age from operating a motor vehicle while using a wireless communications device or telephone; providing exceptions; providing for enforcement as a secondary action; providing a penalty; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; providing procedures for a citation issued following a violation of certain restrictions, to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 318.1451, F.S.; requiring that the course content of driver improvement schools include awareness training about using certain electronic devices while driving; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to update school content requirements; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; providing for a voluntary check-off on motor vehicle registration forms to make a contribution to the Auto Club South Traffic Safety Foundation, Inc.; amending s. 322.0261, F.S.; requiring course content of driver improvement schools to include awareness training about using certain electronic devices while driving; authorizing the department to update school content requirements; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; providing for a voluntary check-off on driver's license application forms to make a contribution to the Auto Club South Traffic Safety Foundation, Inc.; amending s. 322.095, F.S.; requiring traffic law and substance abuse education program content to include awareness of using certain electronic devices while driving; authorizing the department to update program content requirements; amending s. 322.16, F.S.; restricting the number of passengers under the age of 18 permitted in a vehicle operated by a person under the age of 18 unless accompanied by a driver at least 21 years of age; providing exceptions; providing for secondary enforcement; providing penalties; providing for applicability; amending s. 322.1615, F.S.; requiring the parent or guardian of certain minors to attest that they have a specified number of

hours of driving experience in order to apply for a Class E driver's license; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; and Budget.

By Senator Hays—

SB 1842—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water management district budgets; amending s. 373.536, F.S.; requiring budget review and approval by the Executive Office of the Governor; requiring that the governing board give notice to the Executive Office of the Governor within 30 days after unanticipated and unallocated funds are applied during a disaster or emergency; prohibiting the district from using other means to enact a proposal rejected by the Governor; requiring that funds be withheld from a water management district that fails to comply with the review requirements; requiring an accounting of the source and balance of unobligated funds or net cash balance on hand; amending s. 373.503, F.S.; limiting the amount water management districts may levy for ad valorem taxes; providing for future expiration; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Budget.

By Senator Gaetz—

SB 1844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career and professional academies; amending s. 1003.491, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Florida Career and Professional Education Act; replacing references to local workforce boards with regional workforce boards; requiring that economic development agencies collaborate with each district school board, regional workforce boards, and postsecondary institutions to develop a strategic 5-year plan that addresses local and regional workforce demands; requiring that the strategic plan include access to courses offered through virtual education providers and a review of career and professional academy courses; requiring that the strategic plan be reviewed, updated, and jointly approved; amending s. 1003.492, F.S.; revising provisions relating to industry-certified career education programs to conform to changes made by the act; requiring that rules adopted by the State Board of Education include an approval process for determining the funding weights of industry certifications; requiring that the performance factors for students participating in industry-certified career education programs include awards of post-secondary credit and state scholarships amending s. 1003.493, F.S.; revising provisions relating to career and professional academies to conform to changes made by the act; requiring that career and professional academies discontinue enrollment of students for the following year if the passage rate on the industry certification exam falls below 50 percent; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the calculation of additional full-time equivalent membership based on certification of successful completion of industry-certified career and professional academy programs; requiring that the value of full-time equivalent membership be determined by weights adopted by the State Board of Education; amending s. 1012.39, F.S.; requiring that each district school board establish qualifications for nondegreed teachers of career and technical education courses for program clusters recognized in the state; authorizing district school boards to establish alternative qualifications for certain teachers; creating s. 1003.4935, F.S.; requiring that each district school board, in collaboration with regional workforce boards, economic development agencies, and state-approved post-secondary institutions, include a component in the strategic 5-year plan to implement a career and professional academy in at least one middle school in each district; providing requirements for the middle school career and professional academies; requiring that the Department of Education collect and report student achievement data for middle school career academy students; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; conforming provisions relating to the designation of school grades to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

Senate Bills 1846-1994—Not referenced.

By the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12—

SB 1996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the student assessment program for public schools; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring that certain middle school students who earned high school credit in Algebra I take the Algebra I end-of-course assessment during the 2010-2011 school year; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education Pre-K - 12; and Budget.

By the Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax—

SB 1998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.03, F.S.; providing for the adoption of the 2011 version of the Internal Revenue Code; amending s. 220.13, F.S.; specifying the treatment by this state of certain depreciation and expensing of assets that are allowed for federal income tax purposes; providing for retroactive application; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Budget.

BILLS REFERRED TO SUBCOMMITTEE

March 11, 2011

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following have been referred to the Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SJR 1672, SJR 1688, SB 1690, SB 1692, and SB 1700.

Senator John Thrasher, Chair
Committee on Rules

March 11, 2011

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following have been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: CS for SB 382 and CS for SB 478.

Senator JD Alexander, Chair
Committee on Budget

March 14, 2011

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following has been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: SB 1998.

Senator JD Alexander, Chair
Committee on Budget

March 14, 2011

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4.6(4), the following have been referred to the Budget Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations which will report to this standing committee within 60 days: CS for SB 170, CS for SB 618, and CS for SB 822.

Senator JD Alexander, Chair
Committee on Budget

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committees on Budget; Budget Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Appropriations; and Community Affairs; and Senators Gaetz, Montford, and Evers—

CS for CS for CS for SB 248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic recovery from the Deepwater Horizon disaster; amending s.

14.2015, F.S.; defining the term “Disproportionally Affected County”; creating a process for the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to waive any or all job or wage eligibility requirements under certain circumstances when in the best interest of the public; amending s. 220.191, F.S.; waiving the requirement that a facility located in a Disproportionally Affected County be in a high-impact sector in order to qualify for the capital investment tax credit; amending s. 288.106, F.S.; creating a process for the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to waive wage or local financial support eligibility requirements; providing a special incentive under the tax refund program for a limited time for a qualified target industry business that relocates from another state to a Disproportionally Affected County; creating s. 252.363, F.S.; tolling and extending the expiration dates of certain building permits or other authorizations following the declaration of a state of emergency by the Governor; providing exceptions; providing for the laws, administrative rules, and ordinances in effect when the permit was issued to apply to activities described in a permit or other authorization; providing an exception; amending s. 253.02, F.S.; requiring the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund to recommend to the Legislature whether existing multistate compacts for mutual aid should be modified or if a new multistate compact is necessary to address the Deepwater Horizon event or similar future incidents; requiring that the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund appoint members to the Commission on Oil Spill Response Coordination; providing for the designation of the chair of the commission by the Governor; requiring the commission to prepare a report for review and approval by the board of trustees; specifying the subject matter of the report; providing for future expiration; defining the term “Disproportionally Affected County”; providing an appropriation to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to contract with Florida’s Great Northwest, Inc., in order to develop and implement an economic development program for a Disproportionally Affected County; specifying a preference for a Disproportionally Affected County or municipalities within a Disproportionally Affected County which provide for expedited or combined permitting for certain purposes; providing for the appropriation to be placed in reserve by the Executive Office of the Governor for release as authorized by law or the Legislative Budget Commission; defining the term “Disproportionally Affected County”; providing for the deposit of funds received by entities involved in the Deepwater Horizon oil spill into applicable state trust funds; specifying permissible uses of such funds; designating the Department of Environmental Protection as the lead agency for expending funds for environmental restoration; designating the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development as the lead agency for funds designated for economic incentives and diversification efforts; authorizing the holder of a lease of sovereignty submerged lands to apply to the Department of Environmental Protection for the payment or the reimbursement of lease fees for the period of the state of emergency for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill; specifying conditions for eligibility; requiring an application to the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to use the full extent of the law to recover payments from the responsible party or other independently administered claims process; providing a short title for certain sections of the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senators Fasano and Gaetz—

CS for SB 368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driver’s license fees for disabled veterans; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; providing that disabled veterans who meet certain qualifications are entitled to a specified reduction in driver’s license fees; reorganizing provisions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Senator Bogdanoff—

CS for SB 382—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property taxation; amending s. 197.502, F.S.; revising provisions relating to applications for tax deeds; providing payment requirements; authorizing the tax collector to charge a fee to cover the costs to the tax collector for electronic tax deed programs or services; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senators Jones and Latvala—

CS for SB 392—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial parasailing; amending s. 327.02, F.S.; defining terms; creating s. 327.375, F.S.; requiring the owner of a vessel engaged in commercial parasailing to obtain and carry an insurance policy; providing minimum coverage requirements for the insurance policy; providing requirements for proof of insurance; specifying the insurance information that must be provided to each rider; providing for the launch and recovery of riders from a towing vessel; requiring a person engaged in operating a vessel for commercial parasailing to have certain licenses; requiring certain equipment; prohibiting commercial parasailing in certain areas, under certain weather conditions, and during certain hours; requiring a safety briefing for passengers and parasail riders; providing penalties; amending ss. 320.08, 327.391, 328.17, 342.07, 713.78, and 715.07, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations; and Banking and Insurance; and Senators Richter and Hays—

CS for CS for SB 408—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property and casualty insurance; amending s. 215.555, F.S.; revising the definition of “losses,” relating to the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund, to exclude certain losses; providing applicability; amending s. 624.407, F.S.; revising the amount of surplus funds required for domestic insurers applying for a certificate of authority after a certain date; amending s. 624.408, F.S.; revising the minimum surplus that must be maintained by certain insurers; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to reduce the surplus requirement under specified circumstances; amending s. 624.4095, F.S.; excluding certain premiums for federal multiple-peril crop insurance from calculations for an insurer’s gross writing ratio; requiring insurers to disclose the gross written premiums for federal multiple-peril crop insurance in a financial statement; amending s. 624.424, F.S.; revising the frequency that an insurer may use the same accountant or partner to prepare an annual audited financial report; amending s. 626.854, F.S.; providing limitations on the amount of compensation that may be received by a public adjuster for a reopened or supplemental claim; providing statements that may be considered deceptive or misleading if made in any public adjuster’s advertisement or solicitation; providing a definition for the term “written advertisement”; requiring that a disclaimer be included in any public adjuster’s written advertisement; providing requirements for such disclaimer; requiring certain persons who act on behalf of an insurer to provide notice to the insurer, claimant, public adjuster, or legal representative for an onsite inspection of the insured property; authorizing the insured or claimant to deny access to the property if notice is not provided; requiring the public adjuster to ensure prompt notice of certain property loss claims; providing that an insurer be allowed to interview the insured directly about the loss claim; prohibiting the insurer from obstructing or preventing the public adjuster from communicating with the insured; requiring that the insurer communicate with the public adjuster in an effort to reach an agreement as to the scope of the covered loss under the insurance policy; prohibiting a public adjuster from restricting or preventing persons acting on behalf of the insured from having reasonable access to the insured or the insured’s property; prohibiting a public adjuster from restricting or preventing the insured’s adjuster from having reasonable access to or inspecting the insured’s property; authorizing the insured’s adjuster to be present for the inspection; prohibiting a licensed contractor or subcontractor from adjusting a claim on behalf of an insured if such contractor or subcontractor is not a licensed public adjuster; providing an exception; amending s. 626.8651, F.S.; requiring that a public adjuster apprentice complete a minimum number of hours of continuing education to qualify for licensure; amending s. 626.8796, F.S.; providing requirements for a public adjuster contract; creating s. 626.70132, F.S.; requiring that notice of a claim, supplemental claim, or reopened claim be given to the insurer within a specified period after a windstorm or hurricane occurs; providing a definition for the terms “supplemental claim” or “reopened claim”; providing applicability; repealing s. 624.0613(4), F.S., relating to the requirement that the consumer advocate for the Chief Financial Officer prepare an annual report card for each personal residential property insurer; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; requiring that the office issue an approval rather than a notice of intent to approve following its

approval of a file and use filing; authorizing the office to disapprove a rate filing because the coverage is inadequate or the insurer charges a higher premium due to certain discriminatory factors; deleting an obsolete provision; prohibiting the Office of Insurance Regulation from, directly or indirectly, impeding the right of an insurer to acquire policyholders, advertise or appoint agents, or regulate agent commissions; revising the information that must be included in a rate filing relating to certain reinsurance or financing products; deleting a provision that prohibited an insurer from making certain rate filings within a certain period of time after a rate increase; deleting a provision prohibiting an insurer from filing for a rate increase within 6 months after it makes certain rate filings; deleting obsolete provisions relating to legislation enacted during the 2003 Special Session D of the Legislature; amending s. 627.0629, F.S.; providing legislative intent that insurers provide consumers with accurate pricing signals for alterations in order to minimize losses, but that mitigation discounts not result in a loss of income for the insurer; requiring rate filings for residential property insurance to include actuarially reasonable debits that provide proper pricing; providing for an increase in base rates if mitigation discounts exceed the aggregate reduction in expected losses; deleting obsolete provisions; deleting a requirement that the Office of Insurance Regulation propose a method for establishing discounts, debits, credits, and other rate differentials for hurricane mitigation by a certain date; requiring the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules relating to such debits by a certain date; deleting a provision that prohibits an insurer from including an expense or profit load in the cost of reinsurance to replace the Temporary Increase in Coverage Limits; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.351, F.S.; renaming the "high-risk account" as the "coastal account"; revising the conditions under which the Citizens policyholder surcharge may be imposed; providing that members of the Citizens Property Insurance Corporation Board of Governors are not prohibited from practicing in a certain profession if not prohibited by law or ordinance; prohibiting board members from voting on certain measures; deleting a requirement that the board reduce the boundaries of certain high-risk areas eligible for wind-only coverages under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.3511, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 627.4133, F.S.; revising the requirements for providing an insured with notice of nonrenewal, cancellation, or termination of personal lines or commercial residential property insurance; authorizing an insurer to cancel policies after 45 days' notice if the Office of Insurance Regulation determines that the cancellation of policies is necessary to protect the interests of the public or policyholders; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to place an insurer under administrative supervision or appoint a receiver upon the consent of the insurer under certain circumstances; creating s. 627.43141, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the delivery of a "Notice of Change in Policy Terms" under certain circumstances; specifying requirements for such notice; specifying actions constituting proof of notice; authorizing policy renewals to contain a change in policy terms; providing that receipt of payment by an insurer is deemed acceptance of new policy terms by an insured; providing that the original policy remains in effect until the occurrence of specified events if an insurer fails to provide notice; providing intent; amending s. 627.7011, F.S.; requiring the insurer to pay the actual cash value of an insured loss for a dwelling, less any applicable deductible; requiring a policyholder to enter into a contract for the performance of building and structural repairs unless waived by the insurer; restricting insurers and contractors from requiring advance payments for repairs and expenses; authorizing an insurer to limit the initial payment for personal property to the actual cash value of the property to be replaced and to require the insured to provide receipts for purchases; requiring the insurer to provide notice of this process in the insurance contract; prohibiting an insurer from requiring the insured to advance payment; amending s. 627.70131, F.S.; specifying application of certain time periods to initial or supplemental property insurance claim notices and payments; providing legislative findings with respect to 2005 statutory changes relating to sinkhole insurance coverage and statutory changes in this act; amending s. 627.706, F.S.; authorizing an insurer to limit coverage for catastrophic ground cover collapse to the principal building and to have discretion to provide additional coverage; allowing the deductible to include costs relating to an investigation of whether sinkhole activity is present; revising definitions; defining the term "structural damage"; providing an insurer with discretion to provide a policyholder with an opportunity to purchase an endorsement to sinkhole coverage; placing a 2-year statute of repose on claims for sinkhole coverage; amending s. 627.7061, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 627.7065, F.S., relating to the establishment of a

sinkhole database; amending s. 627.707, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the investigation of sinkholes by insurers; deleting a requirement that the insurer provide a policyholder with a statement regarding testing for sinkhole activity; providing a time limitation for demanding sinkhole testing by a policyholder and entering into a contract for repairs; requiring all repairs to be completed within a certain time; providing exceptions; providing a criminal penalty on a policyholder for accepting rebates from persons performing repairs; amending s. 627.7073, F.S.; revising provisions relating to inspection reports; providing that the presumption that the report is correct shifts the burden of proof; revising the reports that an insurer must file with the clerk of the court; requiring the policyholder to file certain reports as a precondition to accepting payment; amending s. 627.7074, F.S.; revising provisions relating to neutral evaluation; requiring evaluation in order to make certain determinations; requiring that the neutral evaluator be allowed access to structures being evaluated; providing grounds for disqualifying an evaluator; allowing the Department of Financial Services to appoint an evaluator if the parties cannot come to agreement; revising the timeframes for scheduling a neutral evaluation conference; authorizing an evaluator to enlist another evaluator or other professionals; providing a time certain for issuing a report; providing that certain information is confidential; revising provisions relating to compliance with the evaluator's recommendations; providing that the evaluator is an agent of the department for the purposes of immunity from suit; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 627.712, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 450—A bill to be entitled An act relating to emergency management; creating s. 252.515, F.S.; providing a short title; providing immunity from civil liability for providers of temporary housing and aid to emergency first responders and their immediate family members following a declared emergency; providing definitions; providing non-applicability; authorizing specified registration with a county emergency management agency as a provider of housing and aid for emergency first responders; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; and Senator Thrasher—

CS for SB 478—A bill to be entitled An act relating to property taxation; amending s. 95.051, F.S.; tolling the expiration period of a tax certificate and the statute of limitations relating to proceedings involving tax lien certificates or tax deeds during the period of an intervening bankruptcy; amending ss. 197.102, 197.122, 197.123, 197.162, 197.172, 197.182, 197.222, 197.2301, 197.322, 197.332, 197.343, 197.344, 197.3635, 197.373, 197.402, 197.403, 197.413, 197.414, 197.4155, 197.416, 197.417, 197.432, 197.4325, 197.442, 197.443, 197.462, 197.472, 197.473, 197.482, 197.492, 197.582, and 197.602, F.S.; revising, updating, and consolidating provisions of ch. 197, F.S., relating to definitions, tax collectors, lien of taxes, returns and assessments, unpaid or omitted taxes, discounts, interest rates, Department of Revenue responsibilities, tax bills, judicial sales, prepayment of taxes, assessment rolls, duties of tax collectors, tax notices, delinquent taxes, lienholders, special assessments, non-ad valorem assessments, tax payments, distribution of taxes, advertisements of property with delinquent taxes, attachment, delinquent personal property taxes, sales of property, tax certificates, tax deeds, tax sales, and proceedings involving the validity of a tax deed; amending s. 197.502, F.S.; revising provisions relating to applications for tax deeds; providing payment requirements; authorizing the tax collector to charge a fee to cover the costs to the tax collector for electronic tax deed programs or services; amending s. 197.542, F.S.; revising the minimum deposit after becoming the highest bidder for a tax deed; requiring a clerk to readvertise the sale of a tax deed if a previous buyer failed to make full payment for the tax deed; creating s. 197.146, F.S.; authorizing tax collectors to issue certificates of correction to tax rolls and outstanding delinquent taxes for uncollectable personal property accounts; requiring the tax collector to notify the property appraiser; providing construction; creating ss. 197.2421 and 197.2423, F.S., transferring, renumbering, and amending ss. 197.253, 197.303, and 197.3071, F.S., and amending ss. 197.243, 197.252, 197.254, 197.262, 197.263, 197.272, 197.282, 197.292, 197.301, and 197.312, F.S.; revising, updat-

ing, and consolidating provisions of ch. 197, F.S., relating to deferral of tax payments for real property, homestead property, recreational and commercial working waterfront property, and affordable rental property; creating s. 197.4725, F.S.; providing authorization and requirements for purchase of county-held tax certificates; specifying required amounts to be paid; providing for fees; providing for electronic services; amending s. 192.0105, F.S.; providing that the right to a discount for the early payment of taxes does not apply to certain partial payments of taxes; clarifying a taxpayer's right to redeem real property and tax certificates; clarifying that a property owner may not be contacted by the holder of a tax certificate for 2 years following the date the certificate is issued; providing that s. 197.122, F.S., applies in certain circumstances; providing for the obligation of the property owner to obtain certain information; correcting cross-references; amending ss. 194.011, 194.013, 196.011, and 197.374, F.S.; conforming cross-references; creating s. 197.603, F.S.; providing legislative intent; repealing s. 197.202, F.S., relating to destruction of 20-year-old tax receipts; repealing s. 197.242, F.S., relating to a short title; repealing ss. 197.304, 197.3041, 197.3042, 197.3043, 197.3044, 197.3045, 197.3046, 197.3047, 197.307, 197.3072, 197.3073, 197.3074, 197.3075, 197.3076, 197.3077, 197.3078, and 197.3079, F.S., relating to deferrals of tax payments; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Hays—

CS for SB 594—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sovereign immunity; amending s. 768.28, F.S.; requiring that a claim in a wrongful death case be presented to the Department of Financial Services within 2 years after the claim accrues; providing that failure of the Department of Financial Services or the appropriate agency to make final disposition of a claim for wrongful death within 90 days after it is filed is deemed to be a final denial of the claim; tolling the statute of limitations for the period of time taken by the Department of Financial Services or other agency to deny a medical malpractice or wrongful death claim; providing that actions for wrongful death against the state or one of its agencies or subdivisions must be brought within the period applicable to actions brought against other defendants; providing for the application of the act to causes of action accruing on or after the effective date; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Judiciary; and Commerce and Tourism; and Senators Detert and Gaetz—

CS for CS for SB 728—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 213.053, F.S.; increasing the number of employer payroll service providers who qualify for access to unemployment tax information by filing a memorandum of understanding; amending s. 443.031, F.S.; revising provisions relating to statutory construction; amending s. 443.036, F.S.; revising the definitions for “available for work,” “earned income,” “misconduct,” and “unemployment”; adding a definition for “initial skills review”; amending s. 443.091, F.S.; revising requirements for making continued claims for benefits; requiring that an individual claiming benefits report certain information and participate in an initial skills review; providing an exception; specifying criteria for determining an applicant's availability for work; amending s. 443.101, F.S.; clarifying “good cause” for voluntarily leaving employment; specifying acts that are “gross misconduct” for purposes of discharging an employee and disqualifying him or her for benefits; revising the criteria for determining suitable work to reduce the number of weeks a person may receive benefits before having to accept a job that pays a certain amount; disqualifying a person for benefits due to the receipt of severance pay; revising provisions relating to the effect of criminal acts on eligibility for benefits; disqualifying an individual for benefits for any week he or she is incarcerated; amending s. 443.111, F.S.; revising the manner in which benefits are payable; eliminating payment by mail; providing an exception; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 443.115, F.S.; conforming cross-references; reviving, readopting, and amending s. 443.117, F.S., relating to temporary extended benefits; providing for retroactive application; providing for applicability relating to extended benefits for certain weeks and for periods of high unemployment; providing for applicability; amending s. 443.1216, F.S.; providing that employee leasing companies may make a one-time election to report leased employees under the respective unemployment account of each leasing company client; providing procedures and application for such election; conforming a cross-

reference; amending s. 443.141, F.S.; providing an employer payment schedule for 2012, 2013, and 2014 contributions; requiring an employer to pay a fee for paying contributions on a quarterly schedule; providing penalties, interest, and fees on delinquent contributions; amending s. 443.151, F.S.; requiring claims to be submitted by electronic means; conforming cross-references; specifying the allowable forms of evidence in an appeal hearing; specifying the judicial venue for filing a notice of appeal; providing for repayment of benefits in cases of agency error; amending s. 443.171, F.S.; specifying that evidence of mailing an agency document creates a rebuttable presumption; providing that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Judiciary; and Senator Bogdanoff—

CS for SB 822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to expert testimony; amending s. 90.702, F.S.; providing that a witness qualified as an expert by knowledge, skill, experience, training, or education may testify in the form of an opinion as to the facts at issue in a case under certain circumstances; requiring the courts of this state to interpret and apply the principles of expert testimony in conformity with specified United States Supreme Court decisions; amending s. 90.704, F.S.; providing that facts or data that are otherwise inadmissible in evidence may not be disclosed to the jury by the proponent of the opinion or inference unless the court determines that the probative value of the facts or data in assisting the jury to evaluate the expert's opinion substantially outweighs the prejudicial effect of the facts or data; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Bennett—

CS for SB 960—A bill to be entitled An act relating to liquefied petroleum gas; amending s. 527.06, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and other state agencies from requiring compliance with certain national standards for liquefied petroleum gas tanks unless the department or agencies require compliance with a specified edition of the national standards; providing for future expiration of such requirements; amending s. 527.21, F.S.; revising the term “propane” for purposes of the Florida Propane Gas Education, Safety, and Research Act, to incorporate changes to certain national standards in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Dean—

CS for SB 968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to boating safety; amending s. 327.395, F.S.; providing an exemption from the requirement that certain persons must possess a boating safety identification card while operating a motor vessel of a specified horsepower or greater; amending s. 327.54, F.S.; requiring liveries to require that a person present a valid boater safety identification card or provide proof that the person passed the boating education safety course or examination; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability; and Senator Ring—

CS for SB 1130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; amending ss. 110.123, 112.0801, 112.363, and 112.65, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.011, F.S.; requiring employee and employer contributions to the retirement system by a certain date; placing an cap on the amount of employee contributions; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; redefining the terms “system,” “prior service,” “compensation,” “average final compensation,” “benefit,” “vested,” and “payee”; amending s. 121.051, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing that special risk employee contributions be used, if applicable, when purchasing credit for past service; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 121.052, F.S., relating to the membership class of elected officers; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for a refund of contributions under certain circumstances for an officer who leaves office; prohibiting such refund if an approved qualified domestic relations order is filed against the member's retirement account; providing that a member who obtains a refund of contributions waives certain rights

under the Florida Retirement System; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 121.053, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.055, F.S., relating to the Senior Management Service Class; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; prohibiting such refund if an approved qualified domestic relations order is filed against the member's retirement account; providing that a member who obtains a refund of contributions waives certain rights under the Florida Retirement System; requiring employee and employer contributions for members in the Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program after a certain date; limiting the payment of benefits before a member's termination of employment; amending s. 121.071, F.S.; requiring employee and employer contributions to the retirement system beginning on a certain date; providing for a refund of contributions under certain circumstances following termination of employment; prohibiting such refund if an approved qualified domestic relations order is filed against the member's retirement account; providing that a member who obtains a refund of contributions waives certain rights under the Florida Retirement System; requiring repayment plus interest of an invalid refund; amending s. 121.081, F.S.; providing requirements for contributions for prior service performed on or after a certain date; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; delaying the refund or payment of accumulated employee contributions if a member's employment is terminated for any reason other than death or retirement; requiring repayment plus interest of an invalid refund; prohibiting such refund if an approved qualified domestic relations order is filed against the member's retirement account; providing that a member who obtains a refund of contributions waives certain rights under the Florida Retirement System; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.1001, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.121, F.S., relating to the purchase of creditable service following an authorized leave of absence; requiring that service credit be purchased at the employee and employer contribution rates in effect during the leave of absence; reducing the interest rate on benefits payable under the Deferred Retirement Option Program for employees hired after a certain date; amending s. 121.122, F.S.; providing for renewed membership in the retirement system for retirees who are re-employed after a certain date; specifying requirements and limitations; amending s. 121.125, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.35, F.S., relating to the optional retirement program for the State University System; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; requiring employee and employer contributions for members participating in the optional retirement program after a certain date; deleting certain requirements governing employer contributions to conform to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending s. 121.355, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.4501, F.S.; changing the name of the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program to the Florida Retirement System Investment Plan; limiting the option of enrolling in the State Retirement System's defined benefit program or defined contribution program to public employees employed before a certain date; requiring certain public employees employed on or after a certain date to enroll in the investment plan; providing exceptions; requiring that plan members make contributions to the plan based on the employee's membership class; revising definitions; deleting obsolete provisions relating to the 2002 optional transfer of public employees from the pension plan to the investment plan; providing for past employees who reenter the system; providing for contribution adjustments as a result of errors or corrections; requiring an employer to receive a credit for excess contributions and to reimburse an employee for excess contributions, subject to certain limitations; providing for a retiree to retain his or her prior plan choice following a return to employment; limiting certain refunds of contributions which exceed the amount that would have accrued had the member remained in the pension plan; providing certain requirements and limitations with respect to contributions; clarifying that employee and employer contributions are earmarked for specified purposes; providing duties of the third-party administrator; providing that a member is vested immediately with respect to employee contributions paid by the employee; providing for the forfeiture of nonvested employer contributions and service credit based on years of service; amending s. 121.4502, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.4503, F.S.; providing for the deposit of employee contributions into the Florida Retirement System Contributions Clearing Trust Fund; amending s. 121.571, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing requirements for submitting employee contributions; amending s. 121.591, F.S.; providing for the forfeiture of nonvested accumulations upon payment of certain vested benefits; 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irrevocable at the time of distribution; prohibiting a distribution of employee contributions if a qualified domestic relations order is filed against the member's account; providing for the distribution of an employee's contributions if the employee dies before being vested; providing for the establishment of a death benefits program in the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund and the payment of benefits if the employee dies in the line of duty; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 121.5911 and 121.70, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 121.71, F.S.; providing for employee contributions to be deducted from the employee's monthly salary, beginning on a specified date, and treated as employer contributions under certain provisions of federal law; clarifying that an employee may not receive such contributions directly; providing that employee contributions are not required if the Florida Retirement System reaches a certain level of funding; placing a cap based on the amount of gross compensation on the amount of employee contributions; specifying the required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class and subclass of the system in order to address unfunded actuarial liabilities of the system; requiring an assessment to be imposed if the employee contributions remitted are less than the amount required; providing for the employer to receive a credit for excess contributions remitted; conforming cross-references; amending s. 121.72, F.S.; revising certain requirements governing allocations to optional retirement program member accounts; conforming cross-references; amending s. 121.73, F.S., relating to disability coverage for members of the optional retirement program; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 121.74, 121.75, and 121.77, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; conforming cross-references; amending s. 121.78, F.S.; revising certain requirements for administering the payment and distribution of contributions; requiring that certain fees be imposed for delinquent payment; providing that an employer is responsible for recovering any refund provided to an employee in error; revising the terms of an authorized waiver of delinquency; requiring an employer to receive a credit for excess contributions and to reimburse an employee for excess contributions, subject to certain limitations; amending s. 1012.875, F.S.; requiring employee and employer contributions for members of the State Community College System Optional Retirement Program on a certain date; conforming cross-references; providing that the act fulfills an important state interest; providing a directive to the Division of Statutory Revision; requiring the State Board of Administration and the Department of Management Services to request a private letter ruling from the United States Internal Revenue Service regarding this act; authorizing state universities to develop and implement health benefit programs for their employees if the costs of such programs do not exceed current state expenditures; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Latvala—

CS for SB 1150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s. 20.24, F.S.; specifying that the executive director of the department serves at the pleasure of the Governor and Cabinet; creating a Division of Motorist Services within the department; eliminating the Division of Driver Licenses and the Division of Motor Vehicles; amending s. 261.03, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending s. 288.816, F.S., relating to Consul Corps license plates; conforming a reference; amending s. 316.1905, F.S.; providing that certain traffic citations may not be issued or prosecuted unless a law enforcement officer used an electrical, mechanical, or other speed-calculating device that has been tested and approved; providing an exception; amending s. 316.1933, F.S.; authorizing a health care provider to notify a law enforcement agency after detecting the presence of a controlled substance in the blood of a person injured in a motor vehicle crash; amending s. 316.1957, F.S., relating to parking violations; conforming a reference; amending s. 316.2085, F.S.; requiring that license tags for mopeds and motorcycles be affixed so that the letters and numbers are legible from the rear; specifying that the tags may be displayed horizontally or vertically to the ground so that the numbers and letters read from left to right or from top to bottom; amending ss. 316.2122, 316.2124, 316.21265, 316.3026, and 316.550, F.S., relating to the operation of low-speed vehicles, motorized disability access vehicles, and all-terrain or utility vehicles, the unlawful operation of motor carriers, and special permits, respectively; conforming cross-references; amending s. 316.545, F.S.; providing for the regulation of apportionable vehicles; amending s. 316.646, F.S.; authorizing the department to suspend the registrations and driving privilege of a person

convicted of failing to maintain the required security while operating a private passenger motor vehicle; amending s. 317.0003, F.S., relating to off-highway vehicles; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 317.0016, F.S.; eliminating a requirement that the department provide expedited service for certificates of repossession; amending s. 318.14, F.S.; clarifying provisions authorizing a person cited for a noncriminal traffic infraction to elect to attend a driver improvement course or enter a plea of nolo contendere; amending s. 318.15, F.S., relating to the suspension of driving privileges; conforming a reference; amending s. 319.14, F.S.; prohibiting a person from knowingly offering for sale, selling, or exchanging certain vehicles unless the department has stamped in a conspicuous place on the certificate of title words stating that the vehicle is a custom vehicle or street rod vehicle; defining the terms "custom vehicle" and "street rod"; amending s. 319.225, F.S.; revising the requirements for the transfer and reassignment forms for vehicles; requiring that a dealer selling a vehicle out of state mail a copy of the power of attorney form to the department; providing for the electronic transfer of a vehicle title; amending s. 319.23, F.S.; providing for the application for a certificate of title, corrected certificate, or assignment or reassignment to be filed from the consummation of the sale of a mobile home; authorizing the department to accept a bond if the applicant for a certificate of title is unable to provide a title that assigns the prior owner's interest in the motor vehicle; providing requirements for the bond and the affidavit; providing for future expiration of the bond; amending s. 319.28, F.S.; eliminating certain requirements that a lienholder obtain a certificate of repossession following repossession of a vehicle or mobile home; amending s. 319.323, F.S., relating to title offices for expedited service; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 319.40, F.S.; authorizing the department to issue electronic certificates of title and use electronic mail addresses for purposes of notification; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "motor vehicle" to include special mobile equipment; deleting an obsolete definition; revising the gross vehicle weight for purposes of defining the terms "apportionable vehicle" and "commercial motor vehicle"; amending s. 320.02, F.S.; providing that an active-duty military member is exempt from the requirement to provide an address on an application for vehicle registration; requiring the application forms for motor vehicle registration and renewal of registration to include language permitting the applicant to make a voluntary contribution to End Hunger in Florida; requiring that the department retain certain records for a specified period; amending s. 320.023, F.S.; authorizing the department to retain certain proceeds derived from the voluntary contributions program to cover certain specified costs to the department; amending s. 320.03, F.S., relating to the International Registration Plan; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 320.05, F.S.; deleting a provision requiring that the department provide a procedures manual for a fee; clarifying that the creation and maintenance of records by the Division of Motorist Services is not a law enforcement function of agency recordkeeping; amending s. 320.06, F.S.; authorizing the department to conduct a pilot program to evaluate alternative license plate technologies for use on government-owned motor vehicles; specifying that all license plates issued by the department are the property of the state; amending s. 320.061, F.S.; providing that it is a noncriminal traffic infraction to alter a temporary license plate; amending s. 320.071, F.S.; providing for the renewal of registration for an apportionable vehicle that is registered under the International Registration Plan; amending s. 320.0715, F.S.; clarifying provisions requiring the registration of apportionable vehicles under the International Registration Plan; amending s. 320.08, F.S., relating to license taxes; conforming cross-references; amending s. 320.0847, F.S., relating to license plates for mini trucks and low-speed vehicles; conforming cross-references; amending s. 320.0848, F.S.; revising the requirements for the deposit of fee proceeds from temporary disabled parking permits; amending s. 320.275, F.S., relating to the Automobile Dealers Industry Advisory Board; conforming provisions to the elimination of the Division of Motor Vehicles within the department; amending s. 320.771, F.S.; specifying circumstances under which certain dealers may apply for a certificate of title to a recreational vehicle using a manufacturer's statement of origin; amending s. 320.95, F.S.; authorizing the department to use electronic mail addresses for the purpose of providing license renewal notices; amending s. 321.02, F.S.; designating the director of the Division of Highway Patrol of the department as the Colonel of the Florida Highway Patrol; amending s. 322.02, F.S.; providing for a director of the Division of Motorist Services; amending s. 322.04, F.S.; revising provisions exempting a nonresident from the requirement to obtain a driver's license under certain circumstances; amending s. 322.051, F.S.; revising requirements by which an applicant for an identification card may prove nonimmigrant classifica-

tion; clarifying the validity of an identification card based on specified documents; providing for the department to waive the fees for issuing or renewing an identification card to persons who present good cause for such waiver; amending s. 322.058, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 322.065, F.S.; revising the period of expiration that constitutes the offense of driving with an expired driver's license; amending s. 322.07, F.S.; clarifying the qualifications for obtaining a temporary commercial instruction permit; amending s. 322.08, F.S.; revising requirements by which an applicant for a driver's license may prove nonimmigrant classification; clarifying the validity of a license based on specified documents; authorizing the department to use electronic mail addresses for the purposes of providing license renewal notices; amending s. 322.081, F.S.; authorizing the department to retain certain proceeds derived from the voluntary contributions made on driver's license applications to cover certain specified costs to the department; amending s. 322.12, F.S.; deleting provisions requiring a separate examination for applicants for a license to operate a motorcycle; requiring that the motorcycle safety course for a first-time applicant include a final examination; requiring that completion of the course be indicated on the license; amending s. 322.121, F.S.; clarifying provisions authorizing the automatic extension of a license for members of the Armed Forces or their dependents while serving on active duty outside the state; amending s. 322.14, F.S.; deleting a requirement that applicants for specified licenses appear in person for issuance of a color photographic or digital imaged driver's license; creating s. 322.1415, F.S.; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue a specialty driver's license or identification card to qualified applicants; specifying that, at a minimum, the specialty driver's licenses and identification cards must be available for certain state and independent universities and professional sports teams and all of the branches of the United States military; requiring that the design of each specialty driver's license and identification card be approved by the department; amending s. 322.20, F.S., relating to department records; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 322.202, F.S.; clarifying that the Division of Motorist Services is not a law enforcement agency; amending s. 322.21, F.S.; providing for the distribution of funds collected from the specialty driver's license and identification card fees; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; authorizing a driver to renew his or her driver's license during a specified period before the license expiration date; amending s. 322.53, F.S.; revising provisions exempting certain farmers and drivers who operate straight trucks from the requirement to obtain a commercial driver's license; amending s. 322.54, F.S.; requiring that the weight of a commercial motor vehicle be based on the vehicle's actual weight under certain circumstances; repealing s. 322.58, F.S., relating to holders of chauffeur's licenses; amending s. 322.59, F.S.; requiring that the department disqualify a driver holding a commercial driver's license who fails to comply with specified federal certification requirements; amending s. 322.61, F.S.; providing that the holder of a commercial driver's license is permanently disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle following two violations of specified offenses committed while operating any vehicle; amending s. 322.64, F.S.; providing that a notice of disqualification from operating a commercial motor vehicle acts as a conviction for purposes of certain federal restrictions imposed for the offense of operating a commercial motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol; deleting provisions authorizing the department to impose certain alternative restrictions for such offense; amending s. 328.30, F.S.; authorizing the department to issue electronic certificates of title for vessels and use electronic mail addresses for purposes of providing renewal notices; amending s. 413.012, F.S., relating to a prohibition on disclosing confidential records held by the department; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 713.78, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability;
and Senator Thrasher—

CS for SB 1970—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; amending s. 11.51, F.S.; creating an exemption from public-records requirements for work papers held by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability which relate to an authorized project or a research product; providing for retroactive application; providing a statement of public necessity; providing a contingent effective date.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

The following Executive Order was filed with the Secretary:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 11-47 (Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco, is presently serving as Mayor for the City of Tamarac; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2011, an affidavit to arrest was issued by the Circuit Court of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Broward County, Florida, alleging that Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco committed unlawful compensation, in violation of section 838.016(1), Florida Statutes; bribery, in violation of section 838.015(1), Florida Statutes; official misconduct, in violation of section 838.022, Florida Statutes; and conspiracy to commit unlawful compensation, in violation of sections 777.04(3) and 838.016, Florida Statutes, which resulted in a warrant being issued and her arrest; and

WHEREAS, a violation of section 838.016, Florida Statutes, constitutes a felony in the second degree; a violation of section 838.15, Florida Statutes, constitutes a felony in the second degree; a violation of section 838.022, Florida Statutes, constitutes a felony in the third degree; and a violation of section 777.04(3), Florida Statutes, constitutes a felony in the third degree;

WHEREAS, section 112.51, Florida Statutes, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any elected municipal officer who is arrested for a felony; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Tamarac and the citizens of the State of Florida that Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco be immediately suspended from the public office which she now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Section 112.51, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

A. Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco is, and at all times material was, Mayor for the City of Tamarac, Florida.

B. The office of Mayor for the City of Tamarac, Florida is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant section 112.51, Florida Statutes.

C. The attached affidavit to arrest and arrest warrant alleges that Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco committed acts in violation of the laws of the State of Florida. This suspension is predicated upon the attached affidavit to arrest and arrest warrant, which allege conduct constituting felonies and are incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this executive order is issued, effective today:

Section 1. Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco is suspended from the public office which she now holds, to wit: Mayor for the City of Tamarac, Florida.

Section 2. Beth Flansbaum-Talabisco is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until a further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of

Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 9th day of March, 2011.

Rick Scott
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Kurt S. Browning
SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE:

The Secretary of State has certified that pursuant to the provisions of section 114.05, Florida Statutes, certificates subject to confirmation by the Senate have been prepared for the following:

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Education Practices Commission	
Appointee: Hale, Susan, Homosassa	09/30/2012
Governor's Mansion Commission	
Appointee: Aurell, Jane C., Tallahassee	09/30/2013

Referred to the Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections.

For Term Ending

<i>Office and Appointment</i>	<i>For Term Ending</i>
Board of Trustees, Florida A & M University	
Appointee: McWilliams, Spurgeon W., Tallahassee	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida State University	
Appointee: Burr, Edward E., Jacksonville Beach	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, Florida International University	
Appointee: Kahn, Sidney Lawrence, III, Coral Gables	01/06/2016
Board of Trustees, University of South Florida	
Appointee: Saco, Louis S., Lakeland	01/06/2016

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education; and Rules Subcommittee on Ethics and Elections.

CO-INTRODUCERS

Senators Bennett—SB 472, CS for SJR 958, SB 1724; Detert—SB 1088; Evers—CS for SJR 958; Gaetz—SB 1782; Garcia—SB 302, SB 556; Hays—CS for SB 142, CS for CS for SB 736; Latvala—SB 392; Richter—CS for SJR 958; Sobel—SB 796; Storms—SB 874

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